
Introduced by Senator PoochigianFebruary 17, 2005

An act to add Section 13823.20 to the Penal Code, relating to public education about gun violence.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 388, as introduced, Poochigian. Gun violence public education program.

Existing law establishes various public awareness programs related to crime prevention and education.

This bill would establish a pilot program in 3 counties, to provide for a one-year program to disseminate information regarding current prison penalties for the personal use of a firearm during the commission of certain felonies. The participating counties would be required to report to the Legislature and the Governor on the impact of the program, as specified. Each county would be eligible for up to \$1,000,000 in federal grant funds for the program, as available.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 13823.20 is added to the Penal Code, to
2 read:
3 13823.20. (a) There is hereby created a one-year antigun
4 violence public information pilot program to be conducted within
5 _____, _____, and _____ counties. The
6 program will be designed to maximize dissemination of
7 information regarding current prison penalties for personal use of
8 a firearm during the commission of enumerated felonies under

1 California's "10-20-Life" law. Participating counties shall
2 employ public service announcements, posters, and other
3 state-approved media alternatives to broadcast the "Use a gun
4 and you're done" message on a consistent basis during the year
5 the program is conducted. Within six months of completion of
6 the program, each participating county shall submit a preliminary
7 report to the Legislature and the Governor's office regarding the
8 impact of the program, as measured by a review of the incidence
9 of firearm-related assaults, robberies, and homicides within the
10 subject county during the 12-month period of the pilot program,
11 and a comparison of the county's previous 12-month experience.
12 (b) Each of the three counties shall receive funding of no more
13 than one million dollars (\$1,000,000) as federal anticrime grant
14 funds, as available.
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